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## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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### Inspection Report

### Minerals Regulatory Program

02/07/2006

Supervisor 1027

**Mine Name:** Hogs Back Project  
**Operator Name:** Brush Resources Inc.  
PO Box 815  
Delta, Ut 84624

**Inspector(s):** Tom Munson , Paul Baker

**Other Participants:** John Wagner

**Mine Status:** Regraded and seeded

**Permit number:** M0230053

**Inspection Date:** June 8, 2005

**Time:** 1:00 PM- 3:00PM

**Weather:** Sunny

#### Elements of Inspection

1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)
3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control
4. Deleterious Material
5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)
6. Concurrent Reclamation
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts, drill holes)
8. Water Impoundments
9. Soils
10. Revegetation
11. Air Quality
12. Other

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#### Purpose of Inspection:

To observe reclamation success related to recent regrading and seeding.

#### Directions to Site:

About 15 Miles North of Delta turn west on the Brush Resources road and follow it to the end.

#### Inspection Summary:

We walked the site and observed an explosion of mustards, several varieties, invading the site. This was disappointing given the site had done well the previous season and a variety of perennial grasses and shrubs like Four Wing and Koshia were doing well. It appears what was good for the seeded species is also good for the invasive species. The desert has been suffering for many years do to lack of rainfall and now that we have received abundant rainfall, every plant species has a chance to do well.

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**Conclusions and Recommendations:**

**My conclusion is that the battle of native desert and cheat grass and invasive mustards is in the hands of nature. We can only hope for perennial grasses and shrubs to become established and out compete the weeds and grasses.**

**At this point to spray weeds would kill any good grasses and shrubs, and give any invasive species a competitive edge. My recommendation is to leave the site status quo and observe the outcome of the perennial species.**

Inspector's Signature



Date:

2/7/2006

TM:jb

cc: Operator